

Kosovo, too, these attacks are not spontaneous acts of intolerance. Unfortunately, it seems that an environment has been created in which such acts of violence are not discouraged, let alone thwarted.

Mr. Speaker, attacks on places of worship are reprehensible, no matter what the faith, no matter what the ethnicity of the worshippers. These sites are sacred to believers, and important as cultural symbols even to many who are not. Orchestrated or spontaneous, these attacks must be stopped. The international presence, including peacekeeping forces, local law enforcement, political leaders, and religious figures across faiths must be part of the solution, not the problem.

I was particularly disappointed with the response of Yugoslav President Vojislav Kostunica, who, while criticizing those who engaged in violence, sought to place some of the blame on those working to rebuild the mosques in Republika Srpska. He was quoted as saying that some churches and mosques should not be rebuilt because they might provoke such incidents. Blaming the victim, sadly, has become a norm in the minds of too many who could and should, instead, be champions of justice.

In conclusion, Mr. Speaker, let us remember that freedom of thought, religion and belief is a fundamental human right, and attacks on religious sites are attacks on that right, attacks that must be wholeheartedly condemned and hopefully prevented from happening again.

STATEMENT APPLAUDING CHICAGO PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHER INDUCTION INTO THE NATIONAL TEACHERS HALL OF FAME

HON. JESSE L. JACKSON, JR.

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 16, 2001

Mr. JACKSON of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I am proud to recognize Dr. Emiel Hamberlin, who is being inducted into the National Teachers Hall of Fame today. Today's children need a balance of guidance and knowledge, and I am glad to see that Chicago's Public schools and its students are being fortified by teachers like Dr. Hamberlin.

Dr. Hamberlin has been teaching biology and Horticulture Environmental Sciences for the past 36 years in Chicago public schools. His honors and awards include City of Chicago Teacher of the Year, the Kohl Family Foundation International Educator, Who's Who Among Black Americans, and the Golden Apple Foundation Academy Fellowship, and he has been recognized as one of Newsweek Magazine's America's 100 Heroes.

Dr. Hamberlin has applied a practical application of his science curriculum that includes educating his pupils in small business and small business enterprises. Through the Ornamental Horticulture Program, he and his students developed a landscaping club where student were paid for producing public and private landscapes throughout the city.

He and his students have also developed an award winning Urban Ecology Sanctuary where they studied, maintained and housed various animals, numerous plant life, and unique ecosystems all within an enclosed courtyard on their high school campus. Dr.

Hamberlin has shown that classrooms can be stimulating experiences for all types of students, and they can have first hand experience at life's lessons.

Dr. Hamberlin has demonstrated what a great impact a teacher can have on our children, and we are glad to have him teaching the children of Chicago. Dr. Hamberlin, thank you for your years of dedication to the most noble of services, and may you continue to influence and inspire students for many years to come.

TRIBUTE TO DONALD J. SIEGEL

HON. MICHAEL E. CAPUANO

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 16, 2001

Mr. CAPUANO. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Donald J. Siegel. On May 16, the Israel Bond National Labor Division will honor Don Siegel with the Habonim Yisrael, the Builders of Israel, Award. It is fitting that Don will receive this honor in a union hall. It is fitting, too, that Edward C. Sullivan, President of the Building and Construction Trades Department of the AFL-CIO, serves as honorary chair of the celebration. This ceremony, like Don Siegel himself, exemplifies all that is best in our country: men and women of good will working to understand and help one another.

Don has served for many years as counsel to the Massachusetts Building Trades Council. He began practicing labor law in 1971, and, since then, he has been a trusted friend and advisor to many unions and employee benefit funds. In 1994, the Archdiocese of Boston honored him with its Cushing-Gavin award, recognizing his moral integrity, professional competence, and community concern. There is no faith community in Massachusetts, and, I think, few activists of any political or religious persuasion, who do not recognize him as a tireless, persuasive advocate for working people.

Don is a man who assumes responsibility as naturally as he breathes, and as unaffectedly. He is the immediate past president of the Jewish Community Relations Council and now chairs its Israel Strategy group. He has taken pains to educate non-Jews—and for this I am personally grateful—about Israeli society, about Israel's success in absorbing new immigrants, and about the difficult and important attempts, like those in the city of Haifa, to build understanding between Jewish and Arab Israelis.

Don Siegel is a righteous man. He lives, teaches, and inspires others to uphold the principles of *ts'dakkah v'hessid*: justice and loving-kindness.

TRIBUTE TO DORI PYE

HON. HOWARD L. BERMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 16, 2001

Mr. BERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to a remarkable woman, a distinguished business leader and a great friend—Dori Pye—who is retiring as President of the Los Angeles Business Council (LABC) after 30

years of service. Dori is being honored by the LABC at a dinner on May 17, 2001 for her outstanding contributions to the business community.

I have known Dori from her days at the Westwood Chamber of Commerce, when I was a newly elected state Assemblyman, nervous and apprehensive about speaking to such an august group. Dori, in her inimitable manner, soothed my anxiety and made me feel welcome. From that day forward, we developed a close and very rewarding relationship.

Dori's tenure was highlighted by the innovative programs, projects and invaluable resources she brought to LABC and to the City of Los Angeles. She established the LABC's Annual Urban Architectural Awards Program which is designed to recognize outstanding construction and landscaping projects; and she established and continues to run the nationally recognized Leadership LA Program, which prepares business professionals for leadership roles in the community. As President of LABC, Dori was the spokeswoman for the Los Angeles business community in Sacramento and Washington, D.C. I have witnessed firsthand how her strong voice, persuasive logic and general savvy helped bolster the cause of the Los Angeles business community.

Anyone who has seen her syndicated show, "Inside LA," knows that Dori truly understands the special idiosyncracies of her home town. She has hosted this program for ten years, during which she has interviewed individuals from all walks of life. She delved into LA's toughest issues and in the process, created a spirited and interesting show that was a favorite of the viewers of Los Angeles.

Dori has also served Los Angeles through her tireless work with numerous community, professional and charitable organizations including the Southern California Association of Chamber Executives where she served as President, the American Chamber of Commerce Executives, the American Heart Association, and the Los Angeles International Airport Advisory Committee, among many others. Dori's good works have been recognized by local, state and national legislators and by the City of Hope, which awarded her the "Spirit of Life Award."

It is my great pleasure and honor to ask my colleagues to join me in paying tribute to Dori Pye, an extraordinary individual and a very special friend.

IN TRIBUTE TO WILLA DOBBS

HON. ELTON GALLEGLY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 16, 2001

Mr. GALLEGLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Willa Dobbs, a woman who has proven that love and caring are powerful forces that can change lives and lift a community.

For more than 30 years, Mrs. Dobbs has worked tirelessly to feed the less fortunate. As founder and director of Care and Share, the community food bank in my hometown of Simi Valley, California, Mrs. Dobbs has been responsible for seeing to it that thousands of men, women and children have been fed.

Except for a short time during the '70s, Care and Share has received no outside funding. It's an all-volunteer effort.

And what an effort it is. Care and Share feeds an estimated 500 families a month. During the holidays, Mrs. Dobbs' dogged determination ensures that every family has access to a good, nourishing holiday meal. Every basket is served with Mrs. Dobbs' everpresent smile and a kind and encouraging word.

Mrs. Dobbs began in the 1960s by enlisting schools to sponsor canned food drives. As Care and Share grew and allied with other charitable organizations, Mrs. Dobbs also reached out to community organizations to help with the drive.

That made it a true community effort as the Simi-Moorpark Association of Realtors, Rotary and Kiwanis clubs, Scouts, churches and numerous other community groups joined the cause.

Mrs. Dobbs has decided to retire and enjoy life with her husband, Carl, their five children and six grandchildren. Care and Share will continue to thrive under the guidance of longtime volunteer Veronica Rubio. Mrs. Dobbs has promised to volunteer from time to time as well.

Mr. Speaker, I know my colleagues will join me in thanking Willa Dobbs for caring for her fellow human beings; for making life richer and fulfilling for those who helped her and those who were helped by her; and for proving that one person can make a difference in many, many lives. We wish her love and Godspeed in retirement.

INTRODUCTION OF LEGISLATION ALLOWING VICTIMS OF DATING VIOLENCE TO ACCESS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE LEGAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

HON. ASA HUTCHINSON

OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 16, 2001

Mr. HUTCHINSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to introduce legislation that is an important step in continuing to assist victims of dating violence. The bill I am introducing today with Rep. CONNIE MORELLA will allow victims of dating violence to qualify for federal legal assistance grants authorized under the Violence Against Women Act.

Dating violence is a little-known and misunderstood aspect of domestic violence. Historically, domestic violence laws have been applied only to cases where the victim is married or cohabitating with the abuser, or where the couple shares a child together. Unfortunately, this criteria ignores the equally dangerous violence that can occur in dating relationships. Victims of domestic violence are victims regardless of their relationship to the abuser. These victims face the same trauma and the same manipulation as every other domestic violence victim. As Congress focuses its attention on providing necessary assistance to the states for the prevention of domestic violence, we must not allow victims of dating violence to be left behind.

The lack of recourse for victims of dating violence was brought to my attention through a tragic incident in the State of Idaho. In December 1999, seventeen-year-old Cassie Dehl

was killed in an accident involving her abusive boyfriend. Despite documentation of years of vicious and life-threatening abuse, Cassie's parents were unable to obtain legal protection for their daughter because neither federal nor state domestic violence laws applied to teenage dating relationships. Although the abuse was evident and the need for assistance was clear, no one was able to offer Cassie the help she needed.

Last year, Congress overwhelmingly reauthorized a number of important domestic violence programs under the Violence Against Women Act. In addition to continuing the existing programs, the VAWA reauthorization included two new provisions of particular importance. First, a legal definition of dating violence was created, the first such definition under federal law. Second, a new grant program to provide civil legal assistance to victims of domestic violence was authorized. Unfortunately, while many of the existing VAWA programs were expanded to include dating violence, this new legal assistance grant was not. Our legislation will correct this discrepancy.

The victims of dating violence require and deserve the same legal assistance given to other victims of domestic violence. The ability to obtain a legal protection order or pursue other legal remedies can be the difference in a victim being able to break the cycle of oppressive abuse and regain control of their life. Under this legislation, victims of dating violence will have the same legal standing as all other victims of domestic violence when seeking civil legal assistance.

Mr. Speaker, I applaud Congress for coming together last year to bring attention to the continuing problem of domestic violence. In order to build upon the advances we made last year, I urge my colleagues to support this legislation that takes another step toward achieving an equal status for victims of dating violence.

TRIBUTE TO BRANDON SILVERIA

HON. MICHAEL M. HONDA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 16, 2001

Mr. HONDA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Brandon Silveria, a courageous young man committed to fighting underage drinking and drunk driving.

Over the last seven years, many of my fellow Members have had the opportunity to meet and introduce Brandon to students in our districts.

After consuming a few drinks at a high school party and then driving his friends home, Brandon fell asleep and crashed head-on into a tree. With his family at his side, Brandon spent three long months in a coma. To this day, Brandon faces daily difficulties—recurring and persistent seizures and noticeable speech and walking limitations. Despite these difficulties, Brandon made a commitment to apply his experience to the lives of high school students throughout the United States. He recalls his personal story to others urging them to make the right choice about underage drinking.

Through a partnership with The Century Council, a national non-profit organization

dedicated to fighting drunk driving and underage drinking and funded by America's leading distillers, Brandon and his father, Tony Silveria, travel to high schools across the country to educate students about the life consequences of underage drinking and driving.

May is National Prom and Graduation month. Appropriately enough, this month Brandon will speak to his one millionth student at his hometown high school in Los Gatos, California. Brandon is a special young man with an important mission to our next generation of leaders. Brandon and The Century Council are to be commended for their efforts.

THE DANGERS OF UNILATERALISM

HON. BARNEY FRANK

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 16, 2001

Mr. FRANK. Mr. Speaker, I was very interested to read in the May 9 issue of *The Hill* an article by David Silverberg which sounded an important warning about excessively unilateralist tendencies in the Bush administration foreign policy. Coming from the perspective from which Mr. Silverberg writes, I think this is an especially interesting article and I hope that it has a favorable impact on the policy makers in the Bush administration.

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AMERICA'S COURSE TOWARD SPLENDID
ISOLATION

(By David Silverberg)

Late in the reign of Queen Victoria, Britain, possessing the world's most powerful navy, owning an empire on which the sun never set, described its diplomatic strategy as one of "splendid isolation."

By that Britons meant that they remained above the passions and rivalries of the European continent.

As one charts the course of President Bush's foreign policy today, one gets the uncomfortable feeling that the United States is heading toward its own version of "splendid isolation." This is not the same as the isolationism of the 1930s, which would have had the United States withdraw from the world stage. Nor is it neo-isolationism, which would revive the 1930s doctrine in a new guise. It is something different.

It also comes as we stand on the edge of a new defense era. In the coming weeks, Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld is going to unveil a new overarching defense strategy. This plan, formulated in great secrecy, is expected to go beyond the strategy created in the Bottom-Up Review of 1993 which has since then governed American defense.

Early indications are that the Rumsfeld policy will be a policing strategy, aimed at maintaining the status quo against possible violent efforts at change.

That's fine as far as it goes, and an informed critique will have to await its unveiling. However, it's likely to follow the general foreign policy outlines of this administration. As war is politics by other means, strategy is policy by other means.

To date, this administration has consistently taken a unilateral approach in foreign policy. It is abandoning the Kyoto Treaty on Global Warming. In a brusque departure from previous policy—White House denials notwithstanding—President Bush has declared that the United States will defend Taiwan and the United States will sell it a